

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has brought great commitment and steadfast dedication to the teaching profession; and

**Whereas**, John Lawrence Meurer, an esteemed resident of Warrenton, Missouri, will officially retire from the Hazelwood School District on June 2, 2003, after a successful career in education that has spanned an incredible twenty-five years; and

**Whereas**, named to the Florissant Valley Community College Hall of Fame, John Meurer has played an integral role in the educational development of countless youngsters as a Music Teacher, during which time he has served as Director of the Hazelwood Central High School Marching and Jazz bands, and Musical Director of the Hazelwood West/Central High School Theater Department; and

**Whereas**, the runner-up in the District's 2002 Teacher of the Year competition, John Meurer is exceedingly proud of his affiliation with such important organizations as the Music Educators National Conference, National Education Association, American String Teachers Association, International Association of Jazz Educators, American Federation of Musicians, the Hawthorne Players, Alpha Players, Musicians Association of St. Louis, and the American Federation of Radio and Television Artists, just to name a few; and

**Whereas**, a talented musician who has participated in numerous workshops, conferences, and clinics, John Meurer looks forward to his much-deserved retirement so that he can have more quality time to spend with his wonderful family which includes his devoted wife, Carol, and his two sons, Jerald and Eric; and

**Whereas**, it is entirely fitting and proper that this legislative body should pay tribute to John Meurer, a remarkable individual and stellar educator who will be greatly missed by all those who had the distinct pleasure of knowing and working with him:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to John Meurer for his twenty-five years of unparalleled service to the Hazelwood School District and to the education of Missouri's youngest citizens, and in wishing him the long, rewarding, and enjoyable retirement he so richly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John Lawrence Meurer.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Clint Zweifel  
District No. 78

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2325, adopted April 29, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker